State Library of North Carolina

LSTA LETTER OF INTENT 2007-2008 Application

DUE DATE: MUST BE RECEIVED BY NOVEMBER 20, 2006, 5:00 p.m.

Send a total of 21: one with original signature in blue ink, and 20 copies.

Submit a separate cover sheet (i.e. this page) and letter of intent information for each project. Check the appropriate grant category below. A library may submit a Letter of Intent only for a grant category for which the library is eligible.

☐ Automated System☐ Innovation / Demonstration☐ Internet Infrastructure Improvement	□ Library Outreach Services□ NC ECHO Digitization□ NC ECHO Heritage Partners	
INSTITUTION / LIBRARY:		
MAILING ADDRESS:		
CONTACT PERSON / TITLE:		
PHONE:	FAX:	
E-MAIL:		
ABSTRACT: Within the space provided belo	w, summarize your proposed project.	
CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE: Please sign below in blue ink.		
 2007-2008. Receiving approval of this Letter of Intent do funding for 2007-2008. 	obligate my library to apply for an LSTA grant for es not guarantee that my library will be awarded	
Print name of library director	-	
Signature, library director	Date	

LSTA LETTER OF INTENT 2007-2008 – Questions to Address

(Do not include these instructions with your submission.)

Instructions for preparing your Letter of Intent:

- Do not exceed three pages total (excluding cover signature page) for a single year project, or four pages for a multiyear project.
- Number each answer.
- It is not necessary to repeat each question.
- Use at least 11-point font size and margins at least 1" on all sides.
- Put your library name and a page number at the bottom of each page.
- Do not include any attachments.

A Letter of Intent must demonstrate understanding of the requirements of the grant program for which you wish to apply.

To complete a Letter of Intent application, be sure you are familiar with the guidelines for the applicable grant program. Guidelines and information for the LSTA 2007-2008 grant programs may be found at http://statelibrary.dcr.state.nc.us/lsta/lsta.htm.

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Review the Guidelines for the applicable grant program with great care. Then use them as the basis for brief answers to the following questions. Use NA if the question is not appropriate to your project.

- 1. What is your proposed project? Briefly describe the scope and content of the proposed project.
- 2. a) What is the need or problem this project is designed to address?
 - b) How did you identify the need or problem?
 - c) How will this project help resolve the need/problem?
 - d) Complete this sentence: If we are successful, one positive outcome/change for library users resulting from this project will be
- 3. a) Describe the process that you are using to plan the proposed project.
 - Did you have a planning grant?
 - Name the organizations represented in the planning group.
 - Outline the key steps you have carried out in the planning process and the timeline for your planning process, including meetings held by the planning group.
 - b) For collaborative projects:
 - Identify the partners in the project.
 - Briefly describe the collaboration process and the role of each partner in this project. Describe needs assessment and planning efforts to date and state each partner's role in those activities as well as their anticipated role during project implementation.
- 4. If the grant category is NC ECHO Digitization or Heritage Partners, Innovation / Demonstration, or Library Outreach Services, how many years are you proposing? If more than a single year, explain why your project requires more than one year to implement.
- 5. List 3-8 primary activities that will occur during the 2007-2008 project year.
- 6. Provide an estimated budget for the 2007-2008 year. List types of expenses and estimated amounts (e.g., equipment, temporary staff, contracted services, etc.).
- 7. For multiyear projects, briefly list expected activities, anticipated results, and estimated costs for years 2 and 3.

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Delivery by commercial service (e.g., FedEx, UPS), or hand delivery: RECOMMENDED	Delivery by US Postal Service:
LSTA Grant Applications	LSTA Grant Applications
Library Development Section, Room 210	Library Development Section
State Library of North Carolina	State Library of North Carolina
Archives & State Library Building	4640 Mail Service Center
109 E. Jones Street	Raleigh NC 27699-4640
Raleigh, North Carolina 27601	

Warning Note from State Library Staff:

To be considered, Letters of Intent must be received in the Library Development Office by the 5:00 p.m. November 20, 2006 deadline. To assure on-time receipt by the State Library, we strongly encourage you to use a commercial service and the Jones Street address. Packages sent via US Postal Service and Mail Service Center address (even Express Mail) frequently encounter delivery delays, and the US Postal Service does not deliver to the Jones Street address. Any letter of intent not received by the deadline will not be eligible for consideration.

Please note that the address for non-US Postal Service deliveries is different.

Questions? Contact the State Library's Federal Programs Consultant, Penny Hornsby at: phornsby@library.dcr.state.nc.us; 919-807-7420, or 919-807-7400.

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